

HE GRABBED HER PURSE.

A NEGRO MAN COMMITS THEFT AND IS CHASED BY A BIG CROWD.

A Child Loses His Ankle Playing Foot-Ball—A House on Fire—Christmas Aftermath—Persons and Notes.

MANCHESTER BUREAU RICHMOND TIMES, 1121 HULL STREET, BRATTLE BLOCK.

This city is slowly recovering from Christmas.

The holiday was a comparatively quiet one, there being less disturbances on the streets than usual.

In the Mayor's Court yesterday morning Robert Scales, a colored man, was charged with stealing a pocket-book from Caroline Bowman. It seems that on Saturday night the woman was shopping on Hull street near the Petersburg railroad, when Scales grabbed her pocket-book, which contained \$7, and ran off.

A number of persons joined in the chase. When he was nearly overtaken, the negro pulled out a pistol and attempted to shoot at his pursuers. He then dropped the pistol and pocket-book, which was afterwards found near the Petersburg railroad. He was captured by a crowd of colored people. The case was sent to the Hustings Court.

William Whitlock (colored) was charged with creating a disturbance Saturday night at the corner of Thirteenth and Hull streets. There being other parties engaged in the row, the case was continued until this afternoon.

Abbie Quaries (colored) was before the court, charged with being a suspicious character. He was discharged.

Mr. O. L. Merritt, of this city, received a telegram yesterday morning from Doswell, Va., stating that his son Johnnie was missing and could not be found.

Johnnie is only thirteen years old, and went up to Doswell to spend the holidays with his grandmother.

The telegram reached Richmond Monday night at 11 o'clock, but was not delivered until 9 yesterday morning, too late for Mr. Merritt to catch the morning train.

Mr. Merritt was much relieved yesterday afternoon by the receipt of another telegram, announcing that his boy had been found and was all right.

It is supposed he got lost while wandering about the woods.

There was a kind of a free fight in the upper part of the city Saturday night.

A half dozen or more negroes went to the house of a colored man, battered down his door, and made things lively.

In their retreat, however, one fell on the back of his head the force of a brick, which was thrown by the proprietor of the house.

No arrests have yet been made.

Saturday night while a crowd of negroes were passing along Hull street near Cowardin avenue, one of the number fired a pistol and the ball went through a window-glass in the second story of the Masonic Temple, and came near striking a colored woman.

The name of the party who fired the weapon has not been ascertained, but the police are looking into the matter.

The police were kept quite busy yesterday gathering in law-breakers.

Quite a number of criminal warrants have been issued, and there will doubtless be a full docket at the Mayor's Court this morning.

Last Sunday night while Miss Rosa Reams was returning from Bainbridge-Street Baptist church, she fainted on Hull street, between Tenth and Eleventh. She was cared for by friends, and it was a considerable length of time before she could be restored to consciousness.

Master Johnnie Friend, while playing foot-ball Monday morning about 11 o'clock on Peter street, near Sixteenth, accidentally broke a right arm. His father, Dr. George W. Friend, rendered the necessary surgical aid, and yesterday the young man was getting on as well as could be expected.

Monday afternoon the roof of the house of Mr. LeRoy Latham caught fire. The flames were soon extinguished by buckets of water. It is thought that the fire originated from the firing of crackers on the street. The damage was trifling.

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who stole an overcoat, a pair of gloves, and a hat.

The thief entered from the parlor, and went first into the parlor, and thence into the hall, where he secured the articles mentioned.

The case was at once reported to the police, and Officer John T. Hall was called to work it up. He arrested a negro yesterday morning who no doubt the thief. Mr. Spott has identified his overcoat, which is at the First station house.

MR. ROBERTSON STILL MISSING.

His Mind Believed to be Affected—His Wife Almon Heartbroken.

In the Times of yesterday appeared a local item in connection with the recent disappearance of Mr. L. T. Robertson which does injustice to the young wife of the deceased man, and the correction is cheerfully made. In the article referred to it was said: "It looks as though the disappearance of Mr. Robertson and his wife was a prearranged plan."

Upon further inquiry it was learned that Mrs. Robertson has not left the city, but is now quite ill at the residence of her father, on Leigh street, and almost heart-broken in consequence of the sudden mysterious disappearance of her husband, whom she has been married only two months. Mr. Robertson had resided in this city for over eight years and no one has had a better reputation for security and integrity.

His friends are still under the impression that he left the city while laboring under a temporary aberration of mind, caused by a recent severe illness and his business troubles.

The statements made in yesterday's article grew out of the failure to locate Mrs. Robertson at the address given in the directory, and the incorrect information given at the hours when we were requested to assist in assisting her.

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